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Candidates for the leadership of the European Commission, worried by the rise of the far right, urged voters to reject extremist political parties.

During a televised debate only a few days before the Sunday elections, **Jean- Claude Juncker** and **Martin Schultz**, appealed to Europeans to punish "racists and fascists" at the polls.

According to **opinion polls** far-right parties have made big gains recently throughout Europe, reports the German news agency, DPA.

"If get elected due to the extremist vote, I will resign," said Jean- Claude Juncker during the debate broadcast by German TV station ARD.

"I refuse to be elected by fascists, racists and all those who hate people they do not like," said the former prime minister of Luxembourg.

On the same wave-length socialist candidate Martin Schulz, urged his German compatriots to stop the far-right winning any seats in the European Parliament.

"It is the duty of those who believe in democracy to ensure with their vote that the **propagandists of the ideology of Adolf Hitler** would not smear the name of Germany in the European Parliament," said Schultz.

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